IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

MICHAEL SCOTT SMITH, JR., : Civil No. 1:21-CV-1422

:

Plaintiff,

v. :

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

:

Defendants. : Judge Jennifer P. Wilson

ORDER

AND NOW, on this 25th day of January, 2022, for the reasons set forth in the accompanying memorandum, **IT IS ORDERED THAT**:

- 1. Plaintiff's application for leave to proceed *in forma pauperis*, Doc. 2, is granted.
- 2. Plaintiff shall pay the full filing fee of \$350.00, based on the financial information provided in the application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. The full filing fee shall be paid regardless of the outcome of the litigation.
- 3. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(b)(1) and (2), the Superintendent/Warden, or other appropriate official at Plaintiff's place of confinement is directed to deduct an initial partial filing fee of 20% of the greater of:
 - (A) the average monthly deposits in the inmate's prison account for the past six months, or
 - (B) the average monthly balance in the inmate's prison account for the past six months.

- 4. The initial partial filing fee shall be forwarded to the Clerk of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, P.O. Box 1148, Scranton, Pennsylvania, 18501-1148, to be credited to the above-captioned docket number. In each succeeding month, when the amount in the Plaintiff's inmate prison account exceeds \$10.00, the Superintendent / Warden, or other proper official, shall forward payments to the Clerk of Court equaling 20% of the preceding month's income credited to Plaintiff's prison account until the \$350.00 fee is paid. Each payment shall reference the above-captioned docket number.
- 5. The Clerk of Court shall send a copy of this Order to the Superintendent/Warden of the institution wherein Plaintiff is presently confined.
- 6. Plaintiff's complaint, Doc. 1, is dismissed with prejudice pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii).
- 7. The Clerk of Court shall close this case.

s/ Jennifer P. Wilson
JENNIFER P. WILSON
United States District Court Judge
Middle District of Pennsylvania